

**IN THE CLAIMS**

The current claims follow. For claims not marked as amended in this response, any difference in the claims below and the previous state of the claims is unintentional and in the nature of a typographical error.

1-34. (Cancelled)

35. (Previously Presented) A mobile station for use in a code division multiple access (CDMA) system having at least one base station operable to communicate with said mobile station, said mobile station comprising circuitry operable to (i) transmit reverse link data to said at least one base station using a forward channel link chip rate and (ii) receive forward link data from said at least one base station using a reverse channel link chip rate, wherein said forward channel link chip rate is asymmetrical to said reverse channel link chip rate.

36. (Previously Presented) The mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 35 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said at least one base station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said at least one base station.

37. (Previously Presented) The mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in

Claim 35 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said mobile station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said mobile station.

38. (Previously Presented) The mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 35 wherein said mobile station transmits one of (i) a maximum forward value to said at least one base station and (ii) a maximum reverse value to said at least one base station.

39. (Previously Presented) The mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 35 wherein said reverse channel link chip rate is faster than said forward channel link chip rate.

40. (Previously Presented) A method of operating a mobile station for use in a code division multiple access (CDMA) system having at least one base station operable to communicate with said mobile station, said method of operating said mobile station comprising the steps of:

transmitting reverse link data to said at least one base station using a forward channel link chip rate; and

receiving forward link data from said at least one base station using a reverse channel link chip rate, wherein said forward channel link chip rate is asymmetrical to said reverse channel link chip rate.

41. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 40 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said at least one base station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said at least one base station.

42. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 40 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said mobile station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said mobile station.

43. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 40 further comprising the step of transmitting one of (i) a maximum forward value to said at least one base station and (ii) a maximum reverse value to said at least one base station.

44. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said mobile station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 40 wherein said reverse channel link chip rate is faster than said

forward channel link chip rate.

45. (Previously Presented) A base station for use in a code division multiple access (CDMA) system having at least one mobile station operable to communicate with said base station, said base station comprising circuitry operable to (i) transmit forward link data to said at least one mobile station using a forward channel link chip rate and (ii) receive reverse link data from said at least one mobile station using a reverse channel link chip rate, wherein said forward channel link chip rate is asymmetrical to said reverse channel link chip rate.

46. (Previously Presented) The base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 45 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said base station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said base station.

47. (Previously Presented) The base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 45 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said at least one mobile station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said at least one mobile station.

48. (Previously Presented) The base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in

Claim 45 wherein said mobile station transmits one of (i) a maximum forward value to said at least one mobile station and (ii) a maximum reverse value to said at least one mobile station.

49. (Previously Presented) The base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 45 wherein said reverse channel link chip rate is faster than said forward channel link chip rate.

50. (Previously Presented) A method of operating a base station for use in a code division multiple access (CDMA) system having at least one mobile station operable to communicate with said base station, said method of operating said base station comprising the steps of:

transmitting forward link data to said at least one mobile station using a forward channel link chip rate; and

receiving reverse link data from said at least one mobile station using a reverse channel link chip rate, wherein said forward channel link chip rate is asymmetrical to said reverse channel link chip rate.

51. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 50 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said base station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said base station.

52. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 50 wherein one of (i) said forward channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum forward value allowed by said at least one mobile station and (ii) said reverse channel link chip rate is less than or equal to a maximum reverse value allowed by said at least one mobile station.

53. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 50 further comprising the step of transmitting one of (i) a maximum forward value to said at least one mobile station and (ii) a maximum reverse value to said at least one mobile station.

54. (Previously Presented) The method of operating said base station for use in a CDMA system as set forth in Claim 50 wherein said reverse channel link chip rate is faster than said forward channel link chip rate.